

KARO-ECHO Board Meeting

2/08/23

via Zoom

Attendees:

Howdy Goudey	KE6BEE
Frans Kuypers	KJ6IUV
Tom Fattaruso	KN6BUY

(There was not a quorum at this meeting so no motions were made or voted on.)

Board discussion items:

- Current membership update
- Spring SET date April 29th?
- Member survey responses (up to 22)
- Plans for future meetings
 - Feb: Mike N6JGA, ARRL section manager
 - Mar: Dan KJ6KEU, ARES section EC
 - April: Prep for SET
 - May: Post SET discussion
 - June: Prepare for Field Day
 - July: possibly presentations Richard Dillman KPH/MRHS and Roy
 - WB6OVV, KPH field trip opportunity
- MOU and Patch box follow-ups (email earlier this week)
- QSL card with printer
- Other ideas and main meeting agenda items?

Topics discussed:

Current membership

- We would like to find out from Annette KJ6SWK (treasurer) how many paid members there are so far this year as compared to last year.

Questionnaire

- More member survey responses have been submitted so we should take another look at the results.

Training topics for future Membership Meetings

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MOU

- Howdy KE6BEE had a chance meeting with the new fire chief and reported that it is more optimistic now that we will be able to document our emergency coordination with the fire department. The fire chief wants to use an S.O.P. rather than an MOU. We don't know what the timing will be to work on this.

Antennas/Patchboxes

- Now that Bill Driscoll has retired Chris Jones of the El Cerrito Parks and Recreation Department will look into who can work with us on the installations and when.

QSL card

- The QSL card is now at the printer who may do the printing at no cost so we will give him as much time as he needs.
- The printing may be done on one large sheet so we may need to cut the individual cards from the sheet.

Spring SET date

- The spring SET date was initially proposed for Apr. 29 but Albany CERT has an event that day so possible alternatives could be Apr.22 or May 6.

“Garage” workshop

- A demonstration of the 10 meter SSB band segment available to technician licensees could be done on a weekend “garage” workshop during the daytime when the 10M band is more active than in the evening.